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EXECUTIVE ORDER 2001-11 RECEIPT OF CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION FOUNTAIN HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Fountain Hills Fire Department is responsible under Section 48-805, Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.), to employ any personnel deemed necessary for fire protection and preservation of life, and it would be in the best interests of the state to inquire into the character and past criminal conduct of employees and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Public Safety maintains a Central State Repository pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1750 for the purpose of procuring and maintaining information concerning arrests and convictions of persons for public offenses in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Central State Repository is authorized pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1750 to provide criminal history record information to non-criminal justice agencies of the State for the purpose of evaluating the fitness of prospective and current employees and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Fountain Hills Fire Department is considered a non-criminal justice agency of the State; and

WHEREAS, non-criminal justice agencies of the State may receive criminal history record information from the Arizona Department of Public Safety pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1750 only by specific authority granted to that agency by statute, ordinance or executive order, and subject to rules of the Arizona Department of Public Safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, Governor of the State of Arizona, under authority provided by A.R.S. § 41-1750, hereby authorize the Central State Repository of the Arizona Department of Public Safety to provide, upon receipt of applicant fingerprint cards, and the chief officer of the Fountain Hills Fire Department to receive, criminal history record information for the purpose of evaluating the fitness of prospective and current employees and volunteers in accordance with those rules issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Jane Dee Hull Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Twenty First Day of June Two Thousand One and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty Fifth.

ATTEST:

Betsey Bayless Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2001-12

TO ALLOCATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EMERGENCY-RELATED SERVICES PROVIDED TO UNDOCUMENTED PERSONS

WHEREAS, for the past eight years the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), in compliance with A.R.S. § 36-2905.05 and A.R.S. § 11-297, has provided emergency services to undocumented persons who do not qualify for Medicaid or state-only AHCCCS programs under the Federal Emergency Services (FES) and State Emergency Services (SES) programs; and

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WHEREAS, with the implementation of Proposition 204 as prescribed in Laws 2001, Chapter 344, the SES Program will be absorbed by the new 100 percent of Federal Poverty Level eligibility expansion, and the SES program will be repealed on October 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, some of the services, such as chronic outpatient kidney dialysis for End Stage Renal Disease or rehabilitation services following an emergency episode, have not been determined by AHCCCS to constitute emergency services under the federal definition, and have been reimbursed with state-only funds under the SES program; and

WHEREAS, AHCCCS has written to the Federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requesting guidance whether services historically reimbursed under the SES Program can now be reimbursed as an emergency service under the FES Program; and

WHEREAS, AHCCCS has not been appropriated state funds in fiscal year 2001-2002 to pay for services provided to undocumented persons that are not reimbursable under the FES Program; and

WHEREAS, CMS may advise the state that federal funds are not available for certain services currently covered under the SES program, and the legislature will need to make a decision whether to continue providing these services with 100 percent state funds; and

WHEREAS, during the 1997 First Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature, the Health Crisis Funds was established, authorizing the Governor to expend funds in order to respond to an existing health crisis;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby declare a health crisis or a significant potential for health crisis in this State and hereby,

- 1. Allocate, on a one-time basis, \$500,000 from the Health Crisis Fund as established pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797 to the Department of Health Services, to be distributed to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment Administration (AHC-CCS) for reimbursement of emergency services as determined and prior authorized by AHCCCS for undocumented persons who are not eligible for reimbursement by Medicaid.
- 2. Direct the Department of Health Services to report the expenditures of these funds made by the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment Administration to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Tobacco Tax and Health Care Fund pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797.
- 3. Any monies in the account that are unspent within eighteen months of the date of this Executive Order shall be returned to the state to be deposited in the Medically Needy Account of the Tobacco Tax and Health Care Fund account established pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-774.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Jane Dee Hull Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Twenty First Day of June Two Thousand One and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty Fifth.

ATTEST:

Betsey Bayless Secretary of State